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Applicants: Yoichiro Sako et al.

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For : OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM, RECORDING APPARATUS
AND METHOD FOR OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM, AND
REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR OPTICAL
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, which is a division of application serial no. 09/601,733 filed August 2, 2000, Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

The Remarks portion begins on page 6 of this Amendment.